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PRODUCTION OF CALIFORNIA TIMBER OPERATORS IN 1965^{1/}

California timber production dropped over 205 million board feet to a total of 5,271,234,000 board feet. The products included in this report are sawlogs, veneer logs, poles, piling, fence posts and split products (Tables 2 and 3). The number of Christmas trees and greenery cut is shown in table 4.



Fig. 1. North Coast flood damage

^{1/} This report was compiled by the State Forester's office by Daniel Dotta from information supplied by California timber operators and Division of Forestry forest practice inspectors.

Table 1. Active timber operators, 1946-1965

Year	Timber operators (number)	Timber volume cut (board feet)
1946	399	
1947	790	3,185,995,000
1948	810	3,983,213,000
1949	813	3,795,252,000
1950	989	4,303,011,000
1951	1,052	4,984,288,000
1952	1,228	5,057,036,000
1953	1,487	5,990,088,000
1954	1,599	5,600,310,000
1955	1,768	6,014,939,000
1956	1,718	5,861,634,000
1957	1,591	5,346,521,000
1958	1,526	5,675,392,000
1959	1,677	5,886,061,000
1960	1,598	5,136,649,000
1961	1,493	5,342,250,000
1962	1,486	5,538,928,000
1963	1,632	5,461,046,000
1964	1,435	5,476,265,000
1965	1,353	5,271,234,000

The figures presented in this report were obtained from timber operators who voluntarily furnished this information when filing notices of timber operations in 1966. It is recognized that these figures do not represent complete coverage of 1965 operations. Counties where timber was not reported being cut are not listed.

The drop in production of nearly 4 percent can be attributed to the disastrous floods of last winter and lack of access to harvesting areas. In some timber areas roads and bridges were not repaired until fall or not at all. Decreases were noted in counties hard hit and increases were made in counties that attempted to take up the slack. The floods also helped to reduce the number of operators. The number of Christmas trees harvested remained nearly the same as 1964. Early snows have a very great effect upon total production of this item. There was considerable drop in the production of miscellaneous forest products, but still remaining well above the average.

The five highest timber producing counties remained the same. They are: Humboldt, Mendocino, Shasta, Siskiyou and Trinity.

California is the third leading state in timber production with Oregon on top and Washington second.

Some counties were combined to prevent disclosure of individual production figures. The total board feet of timber cut is believed to be close to actual production and the best available information at this time.

To convert information submitted to a common base, standard conversion factors and definitions were used as follows:

Sawlogs and veneer logs were combined because sawlogs are often later segregated for veneer logs. No attempt was made to convert all units to a common log scale because, in most cases, the scale because, in most cases, the scale used was not given.

Fence posts. Most operators reported number of posts. Conversion to board feet was made on the basis of an average post containing about 11 board feet.

Shingles. Shingles were included in split products. When reported in bundles or squares it was assumed one bundle contained 25 board feet and 4 bundles equalled a square.

Poles and piling. Reports were received in lineal feet and pieces. Each piece was estimated to contain 30 lineal feet and 100 board feet.

Shakes. Shakes were included in split products. Reports were received in bundles and it was assumed that 25 shakes per bundle contained 10 board feet.

TABLE 2. California Timber Production, 1965.

County	No. of timber Opera- tors ^{a/}	Veneer logs and sawlogs (MBM)	Pulp Wood (MBM)	Misc. ^{b/} (MBM)	Total (MBM)
Alpine, Mono, Inyo	6	4,202	-	-	4,202
Amador	12	40,782	-	-	40,782
Butte	34	54,265	1,034	32	40,814
Calaveras	17	75,099	-	497	55,796
Del Norte	68	315,059	-	-	75,099
El Dorado	87	199,665	-	4,252	319,311
Fresno	16	76,251	-	330	199,995
Glenn	11	56,305	-	-	76,251
Humboldt	260	1,289,270	-	-	56,305
Lake Colusa	11	53,597	2,000	12,026	1,301,296
Lassen	68	129,518	-	-	55,597
Madera	11	52,982	-	39	129,557
Mariposa, Merced	11	8,320	-	-	52,982
Mendocino	174	529,588	4,297	86	8,406
Modoc	18	54,624	-	6,341	540,226
Monterey, San Luis Obispo	12	284	2,959	-	54,624
Napa, Marin, Solano	7	2,640	1,342	539	3,782
Nevada	68	53,765	-	39	4,021
Placer	60	95,913	-	1,221	54,986
Plumas	77	172,614	-	64	95,977
San Bernardino, Los Angeles	6	19,255	-	769	173,383
San Diego, Riverside	4	15	-	185	19,440
San Mateo	14	25,424	42	45	60
Santa Clara, San Benito				325	25,791
Contra Costa, Stanislaus	5	286	1,537	43	1,866
Santa Cruz	29	20,475	172	116	20,763
Shasta	126	501,718	-	2,178	503,896
Sierra	51	117,886	-	-	117,886
Siskiyou	96	490,517	-	67	490,584
Sonoma	80	104,118	12,265	293	116,676
Tehama	21	139,264	450	1,200	140,914
Trinity	77	264,162	-	908	265,070
Tulare, Kern, Ventura	15	69,840	-	115	69,955
Tuolumne	23	145,539	-	56	145,595
Yuba	16	48,427	1,463	238	50,128
	1,353	5,211,669	27,561	32,004	5,271,234

^{a/} Includes active timber operators engaged in production of miscellaneous and other forest products (Tables 2 and 3).

^{b/} Miscellaneous forest products include split products, poles, piling, fence posts, and cordwood. For breakdown by products see Table 3.

TABLE 3. Production of miscellaneous forest products
in California, 1965.

County	Split Products (MBM)	Poles Piling (pieces)	Fence Posts (pieces)	Fuel- wood (cords)	Total (MBM)
Alpine, Mono, Inyo	-	-	-	-	-
Amador	-	159	-	32	32
Butte	-	1,645	12,124	400	497
Calaveras	-	-	-	-	-
Del Norte	3,942	3,097	-	-	4,252
El Dorado	-	1,466	-	367	330
Fresno	-	-	-	-	-
Glenn	-	-	-	-	-
Humboldt	10,682	13,367	772	-	12,026
Lake, Colusa	-	-	-	-	-
Lassen	-	-	500	66	39
Madera	-	-	-	-	-
Mariposa, Merced	-	865	-	-	86
Mendocino	2,879	21,418	19,351	2,215	6,341
Modoc	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey, San Luis Obispo	9	-	-	1,060	539
Napa, Marin, Solano	-	360	-	6	39
Nevada	-	11,518	2,790	76	1,221
Placer	-	596	100	6	64
Plumas	5	7,639	-	-	769
San Bernardino, Los Angeles	-	400	-	290	185
San Diego, Riverside	-	-	-	90	45
San Mateo	-	-	-	650	325
Santa Clara, San Benito	-	-	-	-	-
Contra Costa, Stanislaus	-	330	-	20	43
Santa Cruz	61	51	500	88	116
Shasta	-	19,159	-	524	2,178
Sierra	-	-	-	-	-
Siskiyou	-	532	-	28	67
Sonoma	-	50	-	577	293
Tehama	-	11,816	1,635	-	1,200
Trinity	-	9,080	-	-	908
Tulare, Kern, Ventura	115	-	-	-	115
Tuolumne	25	311	-	-	56
Yuba	5	215	-	422	238
Total	17,723	104,074	37,772	6,917	32,004

TABLE 4. Production of other forest products in California, 1965.

County	Christmas trees (number)	Greenery (tons)
Alpine, Mono, Inyo	200	-
Amador	7,920	10
Butte	10,829	1
Calaveras	11,682	-
Del Norte	-	205
El Dorado	21,865	3
Fresno	2,210	1
Glenn	700	-
Humboldt	1,654	546
Lake, Colusa	28	2
Lassen	92,198	3
Madera	3,820	-
Mariposa, Merced	1,500	-
Mendocino	3,501	23
Modoc	27,449	2
Monterey, San Luis Obispo	-	-
Napa, Marin, Solano	-	-
Nevada	23,726	1
Placer	33,575	-
Plumas	167,996	1
San Bernardino, Los Angeles	-	-
San Diego, Riverside	500	1
San Mateo	-	-
Santa Clara, San Benito	-	-
Contra Costa, Stanislaus	-	-
Santa Cruz	8,850	53
Shasta	130,382	2
Sierra	37,703	1
Siskiyou	76,242	40
Sonoma	3,114	-
Tehama	11,615	2
Trinity	3,904	-
Tulare, Kern, Ventura	2,130	-
Tuolumne	6,069	-
Yuba	3,050	-
Total	694,412	897